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INDIAN TALENT IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian talent in science and technology can make India a much developed country;

(b) if so, the position in this regard;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) has sought a national science body having its centres in every taluk and major villages to nurture a creative environment for bright youngsters; and

(d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (SHRI BACHI SINGH RAWAT)

(a) & (b) Indian talent in science and technology has great potential to make the country a developed nation. India has exceptionally strong talent in various fields of S&T ranging from Basic Sciences, to Technology development in strategic fields like Atomic Energy, Space Research, Defence, Agriculture, Biotechnology, Medicine, and Information Technology among others, which could make India a developed nation in the near future. Recognising this, Government has prepared a Technology Vision 2020 in various key areas required for nation building.

(c) & (d) The Central Vigilance Commissioner Shri N. Vittal, in his personal capacity has delivered a lecture `India and Technology` on the eve of National Technology Day on 11-05-2001 where, a suggestion has been made for setting up of Nation Wide Community Science Centres at grass-root level practically in every taluka and major villages for improvement and development of technology. Government have taken note of this.